GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4389
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2001
INVITATION TO PRIME MINISTER MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
BABUBHAI KHIMABHAI KATARA;BALRAM SINGH YADAV;CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA;UTTAMRAO DEORAO PATIL

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister and he have received formal invitation from the Government of Pakistan to visit Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the proposed date of the visit and the agenda for talks?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Dates for the visits would be fixed through diplomatic channels, taking into account the convenience of both sides.

The talks would take place in the framework of the Simla Agreement, the Lahore Declaration, and on the basis, inter alia, of the Composite Dialogue.